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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE PCT NATIONAL STAGE APPLICATION OF HAN-JÜRGEN HANSEN, INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP IB 96/01410

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Kindly further amend this application as follows prior to calculation of the filing fee and consideration on the merits.

## IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly replace claim 9 by the following claim.

9. (twice amended) Method according to claim 1, wherein the carrier comprises a low-melting glass or polycarbonates, polyacetates, methacrylates, styrenes and copolymers thereof, as well as copolymers with polymerisable [4n]-annulenes.

